



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear St Kevin's families,

With our final newsletter of the year it is time to give thanks for the year that has gone. Firstly, many thanks to the wonderful St Kevin's staff for their dedication to teaching and learning throughout the year. I would like to offer my sincere thanks to the school executive team, Fiona Ngamu, Fiona de St Germain as well as Philippa Toohey in the school office who have assisted me so capably and graciously this year.

I also want to thank the many parents and volunteers who have contributed to the life of our school this year. Our P & F team has generated much family support and I am always appreciative of their efforts. Your generous support is much appreciated as we continue to serve our motto, United in Love and work for the students in our care.

Much has been achieved in 2018 and I thank the school community for their assistance and cooperation. I look forward to welcoming you all again in 2019.

To all our families and staff, have a wonderful, safe and healthy Christmas.

*Be well, do good work, and keep in touch.
~Garrison Keillor*

Lorraine Vincent

Principal



Beginning of year 2019

Dates for the start of 2019:

Tuesday 29 January:

Compulsory Assessment Day for Years 1 to Year 6
(12 – 3.30pm)

Wednesday 30 Jan:

Compulsory Assessment Day for Kindergarten to Year 6

Thursday 31 Jan:

Compulsory Assessment Day for Kindergarten Years 1 to Year 6 – commence first school day

Friday 1 Feb:

Compulsory Assessment Day for Kindergarten

Monday 4 Feb:

Kindergarten – first school day

Compulsory Assessment Days 2019

To make an appointment open the link below and select a time

<http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au>

Event code: **rvz9f**

Religious Education

Sacramental Dates for 2019

If you are planning on your child/ren completing the sacraments of Confirmation, Reconciliation or First Holy Communion, please make a note of the following dates for 2019.

Confirmation: Saturday 29th June

Reconciliation: Week of April 1st -4th 5pm

First Holy Communion/Eucharist: 24/25 August, 14/15 & 21/22 September

While these are the actual dates of the sacrament, you will also need to attend an enrolment, 4 lessons and a rehearsal which are the weeks prior to this date. More information will come next year.

Family Liaison Officer

Latest research results show how parents are protecting their children when they are online

Thinking about the coming holidays, we know our children will be spending time in cyberspace. A survey commissioned by the Office for Children's eSafety Commissioner in June 2016, was recently published. 2,360 parents of children aged 8-17 gave feedback on which strategies they use to protect their children when they are online. To see the results and learn more about how you can protect your child when online follow the link:<https://www.esafety.gov.au/education-resources/iparent/parenting-online-infographic>

Do you want to get your child reading this summer holiday? Check out the tips and tricks from the NSW Department of Education Parent Webpage: SchoolAtoZ, it has lots of good book suggestions for each age group, boys and girls:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/my-book-club/summer-holiday-reading-for-kids-of-all-ages>

2019 Classes

The following classroom arrangements have been made for 2019:

Kindergarten	Ms Christie Goldspring/Teacher TBA
Year 1	Mrs Mary French
Year 2	Mrs Belinda Orlando and Mrs Rachel Lloyd
Year 3	Mr Patrick Byrne
Year 4	Mrs Elizabeth-Anne Banfield
Year 5	Ms Katie McDermott and Mrs Amanda Lewis
Year 6	Mrs Fiona de St Germain and Mrs Virginia Brooker

Students had the opportunity to meet with their new teachers in their new classrooms this morning.

2019 Stationery Lists

[Click here](#) for class stationery requirements for 2019.

Parents & Friends Update

Canteen

In addition to a fabulous new menu, the canteen will be opening different days / hours in 2019!

See below for further details.

[Click here](#) for a copy of the new menu.



PARENT SHORTCUTS

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW FOR THE FIRST WEEKS OF TERM 1 2019!

SAVE THE DATE!
PARENTS
SOCIAL NIGHT
FRIDAY 15TH FEBRUARY

TECHNOLOGY PITSTOP

GET YOUR APPS
IN ORDER
WEDNESDAY

30TH JANUARY

The P&F Team will be on hand at Assessment Day in the courtyard to help you get **tech-ready** for the 2019 school year. QKr! STKDY School App and Website, FB Groups and more!

WHO IS YOUR CLASS PARENT?

Kindergarten

Lauren Brincat
Ainslie Page

Year 1

Daniella Cistulli

Year 2

Charmaine West
Zoe Wright

Year 3

Kate Cashel
Michael Zaccaria

Year 4

Mami Cheng
Agnieszka Karamarkovic

Year 5

Dorothy Landers

Year 6

Belinda Winfrey

LOOK OUT for INFO from your class parents in the first weeks of Term 1

Many thanks to all our 2018 Class Parents who made such a welcoming and friendly contribution to the St Kevin's School Family throughout the year

Fiona Gibbons, Phayla Dittavong, Analyn Velasco, Marianne Guiao, Louise Tofts, Kate Cashel, Heidi Faul Michael Zaccaria and Belinda Winfrey



NEW CANTEEN MENU

We have added, removed and replaced a number of the items on the Canteen menu to begin the process of bringing us into line with the Healthy School Canteen requirements set out by the Dept. of Health. Check out the new menu on the notice-board or download from the website/app



REQUIRED FOR LUNCH ORDERS!

All Lunch orders need to be placed on QKr! Cash will only be accepted during Friday Lunchtime Counter Service for items on the snack menu.

NEW SHORTER SHIFTS!

Canteen Helpers required for 2019. Momdays and Thursdays are just small 2 hour shifts and Fridays have been reduced to 3-4hrs

SIGN UP FOR TERM 1 NOW

<http://signup.com/go/OKMNjfb>

NEW CANTEEN DAYS

Canteen will be operating at LUNCHTIME only on the following days
MONDAYS - SUSHI
THURSDAYS - SANDWICHES
FRIDAYS - HOT FOOD + COUNTER SERVICE

NEW MENU AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD FROM SCHOOL WEBSITE AND ON THE STKDY PARENTS INFO HUB (FACEBOOK GROUP)

